GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2677
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2001
WAKF ACT, 1995
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Wakf properties in different States which are under encroachment or illegal hold;

(b) whether despite the Wakf Act 1995, no sincere efforts have been made by Government to restore the possession of such properties from illegal occupants;

(c) whether the Union Government have asked the State Wakf Boards to amend their law to provide for intervention of District Administration in takeling the problem of unauthorized occupants;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a) A statement indicating the position, as per available information, is annexed.

(b),(c),(d)and (e) As per provision under the Wakf Act, 1995 the State Governments and Wakf Boards are required to take action for proper management of Wakf properties including their restoration from illegal occupants. The matter has been taken up with the States/Union Territories. The States/UTs other than Karnataka have been requested to consider inclusion of Wadf properties as public premises under the Public Premises Act, as done in Karnataka, with a view to facilitate removal of encroachments.

Annexure

Statement in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2677 for 8.8.2001 regarding Wakf Act, 1995

Details of cases of illegal sale/encroachment of Wakf properties

Name of State/UT	Details
Andhra Pradesh	41 cases of illegal sale/encroachment of Wakf properties in Mahboob Nagar District and 15 cases in Adilabad District reported.
Arunachal Pradesh	Nil
Assam	Nil.
Bihar	Shia Wakf Properties - 5 incidents reported.Sunni Wakf Board - 42 cases reported.
Goa	Nil.
Gujarat	Nil.
Haryana	175 Wakf properties reported under encroachment.
Himachal Pradesh	22 Wakf properties reported under encroachment.
Jammu & Kashmir	Wakf Act, 1995 does not extend to J & K.
Karnataka	159 cases reported.
Kerala	No incident of sale and encroachment reported.
Madhya Pradesh	403 cases of encroachment reported.
Maharashtra	72 cases of illegal transfer and 200 cases of encroachment reported.
Manipur	Nil.
Meghalaya	Nil.
Mizoram	Nil.
Nagaland	Nil.

Orissa No incident of sale and encroachment reported.
Punjab 391 Wakf properties reported under encroachment.
Rajasthan 500 complaints received. 84 cases filed before Estate Officers.
Sikkim Nil.
Tamil Nadu Nil.
Tripura 8 incidents reported.
Uttar Pradesh 43 cases for sale and 58 cases of encroachment reported.
West Bengal 75 Wakf properties reported under encroachment.
Andaman & Nicobar Nil.
Chandigarh Nil.
Dadra & Nagar Haveli Nil.
Daman & Diu Nil.
Delhi Survey of Wakf properties is under progress.
Lakshadweep Nil.
Pondicherry Nil.